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and think must learn the Arabic language; and this, *pace* Burton, very many of his countrymen have done and do.

The translation of the *Arabian Nights*, even more than his papers on anthropological subjects and many passages in his books of travel, bears testimony to the existence in Burton of a morbid proclivity, like that which marked the mind of Richard Payne Knight.

ANTONIO RAIMONDI.—Mr. Raimondi, a corresponding member of this Society since 1877, died in October last at Lima, in the sixty-fifth year of his age. A Milanese by birth, he had lived in Peru for forty years, devoting himself to the exploration of the country and the study of its geography, natural history and geology.

In 1873 he brought out a volume in quarto on the Department of Ancachs and Its Mineral Riches, the expense of publication being borne by Mr. Henry Meiggs; and in 1874 appeared the first volume, entitled *Parte Preliminar*, of his great work, *El Perú*, the cost of which was assumed by the nation. This preliminary part describes the author's purpose and method, and tells the story of his journeys. The second and third volumes, issued respectively in 1876 and 1880, relate the history of geography in Peru from the days of Pizarro to the year 1878, and bear testimony throughout their 1,000 pages, to Mr. Raimondi's learning and sagacity and extraordinary industry. The progress of the war with Chile caused the suspension of the work after 1880, and it is, perhaps, unnecessary to believe, with Mr. C. R. Markham,* that "among other wanton acts of vandalism

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perpetrated by the Chilians, it is understood that a whole edition of the fourth volume of the work of Raimondi was destroyed."

El Perú did not wholly absorb its author's energies. A book on the minerals of Peru, prepared for the Paris Exposition, was published in 1878; and he made many contributions to scientific periodicals.

HERMANN BERGHAUS.—Mr. Justus Perthes, in a circular letter, dated December 3, gives information of the death of Hermann Berghaus on the morning of that day at Gotha.

The loss, so deeply felt by Mr. Berghaus's associates in the Institute at Gotha, is almost personal to every one who is interested in geographical science, but for him there is nothing to regret. His life-long labors for the enlightenment of mankind have been crowned by a peaceful death, in the fullness of time.

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